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## Baseball Commissioner Speaks to UNH Graduates

For the 635 undergraduate and graduate students who received their degrees during the university's winter Commencement on January 18, few will forget the counsel shared by Commencement speaker Francis T. (Fay) Vincent, Jr., Commissioner of Baseball, despite Vincent's jokes to the contrary.

"Go forth and do good...do well...and do something....," said Vincent as he addressed a capacity crowd of graduates, their families, friends and UNH faculty and staff, who filled the North Campus gymnasium at 2 p.m. As the audience laughed and applauded, Vincent turned serious, advising the new graduates not to be afraid to make mistakes but to learn from them and to follow their conscience when faced with trying decisions. "Your reputation, and mine, is our most valuable capital asset. That reputation is the product of thou-

sands of decisions...made daily...about how we choose to live and how we wish to be viewed," he told them.

Vincent, who was the center of attention at a sports-media press conference that preceded commencement, received an honorary doctor of laws degree during the exercises. Joining him on center stage were fellow honorary degree recipients Sister Anne Virginie Grimes, president of the Saint Raphael Health Care System, who received a doctorate of humane letters, and the Hon. John C. Daniels, the mayor of New Haven, who was awarded a doctor of laws degree.

The ceremony, the first commencement under the helm of President Lawrence J. DeNardis, included the awarding of 213 undergraduate and 422 graduate degrees. Among the latter was a doctor of science degree in management systems presented

to Robert L. Mullen, the third graduate of the university's doctoral program licensed in 1986. On a more somber note, a master's degree in business administration was awarded to the late Larry J. Dixon of Milford, an IBM marketing executive who earned his degree through the Executive MBA program but who passed away during the Christmas season. His daughter Stacey accepted the award.

Commencement participants included Norman I. Botwinik, chairman of the Board of Governors, who presided; Stanley Gniazdowski, president of the Alumni Association, who welcomed the new graduates into the alumni organization; and Acting Provost James Uebelacker and the deans of each of the university's six schools, who assisted with the presentation of the degrees. An informal reception held in the Student Center capped the festivities.



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University of New Haven President Lawrence J. DeNardis (left) and UNH board chairman Norman I. Botwinik (right) welcomed Commencement speaker and honorary doctoral candidate Francis T. (Fay) Vincent, Jr., the Commissioner of Baseball (center), and fellow honorary degree recipients Sister Anne Virginie Grimes, president of the Saint Raphael Health Care System, and the Hon. John C. Daniels, mayor of New Haven, to the university's annual winter commencement. Commissioner Vincent and Mayor Daniels received honorary doctor of laws degrees; Sister Anne Virginie Grimes received an honorary doctor of humane letters degree.

## Three New Board Members Named

The UNH Board of Governors welcomed three New Haven area executives: James J. Cullen, president and chief executive officer of the Hospital of Saint Raphael; Richard M. Donofrio, senior vice-president for marketing and sales at Southern New England Telecommunications; and J. Michael McHugh, a partner at the accounting firm of Coopers & Lybrand.

Cullen, an accountant with 20 years' experience in the health care field, has been with Saint Raphael's for almost 10 years. He began his career with the accounting firm of Peat Marwick, as a health care auditor and consultant, then served as chief financial officer at a hospital in New Hampshire. He joined Saint Raphael's in 1982 as chief financial officer and subsequently held the positions of CFO and chief operating officer of the Saint Raphael Health-care System. Named executive vice-president and COO of the hospital in 1988, he assumed his current position in August of this year.

Cullen holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from Siena College, NY, and a master's degree in public health from Yale.

Donofrio, who joined the Southern New England Telephone Company (currently a subsidiary of Southern New England Telecommunications) in 1961 following a two-year stint in the U.S. Army, has participated in the firm's operations, human resources, marketing, and revenue requirements divisions. Since 1987, he has directed the marketing and sales of SNET products and services. He also oversees several corporate subsidiaries, serving as board chairman of SNET Systems and as president and chairman of the SNET Diversified Group.

He holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from Norwich University in Vermont and has pursued graduate study at the University of Hartford.

McHugh, a C.P.A. whose tenure with Coopers & Lybrand includes six years as a partner in the firm's Portland, ME, office, has more than 25 years' experience serving clients of all sizes and in many different industries. In the New Haven office, he acts as chairman of the



*New Board Members (clockwise from top left): James J. Cullen, Richard M. Donofrio, and J. Michael McHugh*

firm's Connecticut utility industry group and is also active in the middle market industry group.

McHugh's community activities include serving as a member of the board of the Xavier Corporation, an affiliate of the Hospital of Saint Raphael. He holds a bachelor of science degree in business administration from Georgetown University.



**COMMUNITY WELCOME**--President Lawrence J. DeNardis welcomed members of the Greater New Haven Chamber of Commerce to a special "Business After Hours" program held on campus November 13. More than 150 people representing businesses and industries from the area turned out for the event.

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Dear  
Members  
of the  
UNH  
Alumni  
Family:

As the new year begins, I want to take this opportunity to tell you how deeply honored I am to lead your *alma mater*. The University of New Haven is a superb institution, and I am privileged to have been chosen last fall to be its new president.

I believe UNH is at an important crossroads in its history. With a new vision, and a strong spirit of unity and purpose, our University will experience dynamic growth and change in the 1990's.

As a graduate, you are a member of our school family, a vital part of both the history and the future of this institution. The experience you gained here--and in your life since--can add immeasurably to the success of the new mission we have begun to formulate.

In the early years, our focus--as first a college, then a university for commuting students--seemed to mitigate against the strong alumni-university bond that so many other institutions enjoy. But that is changing, as it should. Our relationship is growing and must continue to do so. It must be strengthened and bear fruit.

To that end, we are developing a meaningful alumni relations program with an emphasis on elements and activities that will bring us together with a unity of purpose, create a greater understanding between us, and bring you to the campus as often as possible.

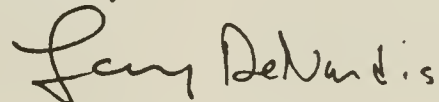
As a first step, we will be organizing regional alumni clubs. It is my intention to visit each club on a regular basis to provide you with information concerning new developments at the University and to seek your advice and views about future policies and programs.

If you are interested in helping organize a regional club in your area or in hosting a meeting of alumni, I would appreciate your contacting Sister Pat Rooney or Karen Green in our Alumni/Development Office (203/932-7268).

To be sure, your University needs your financial support, and periodically we will seek it. But right now, we want to get to know you, to encourage you to participate, in whatever ways might be appropriate for you, in University life. In short, we need your help to move the University of New Haven to greatness in the 1990's. It can be done. And if, together, we are successful in this effort, the University will emerge stronger than ever before.

I look forward to your involvement in the life and the future of UNH. In the meantime, let me wish you and your family a new year of good health, happiness and prosperity.

Sincerely,



Lawrence J. DeNardis  
President

## Ethics Panel Debates Mixed Costs of Pollution Control

**S**trict pollution standards, high production costs, the need for a preventative stance and for public responsibility in both the corporate sector and government were among the issues under debate during a panel discussion entitled "Corporate Response to Environmental Issues," the latest in a series of programs on ethics in the workplace instituted by UNH. More than 200 people attended the November 11 event held in Dodds Hall Auditorium to listen to the multi-faceted presentation.

Panel participants included Julie Belaga, regional administrator (Region 1) of the federal Environmental Protection Agency; William Minter, vice-president of environmental health and safety at Sikorsky Aircraft, a United Technologies Corporation (UTC) subsidiary; Edward J. Hessler, vice-president and general manager of the chemical division at The Upjohn Company; and Austin Carey, Jr., an attorney with Seigel, O'Connor, Schiff *et al.* and vice-president of the Connecticut Fund for the Environment.

As the opening speaker, Belaga underscored the prudence of employing preventative anti-pollution

measures in relation to cost savings and public welfare. She noted a special Environmental Protection Agency program through which agency staff work with corporate representatives to reduce pollution by one-third to one-half. Similarly, Carey focused on the public's right to a clean environment.

Meanwhile, fellow panelist Hessler targeted the intricacies of compliance issues such as the effect that increased financial costs have on U.S. firms. He noted the competitive edge afforded international businesses that are not bound by the same pollution standards U.S. corporations are.

Yet another area of concern discussed during the two-hour forum was education. Minter explained UTC's efforts to implement a training and auditing program to curtail pollution and control costs.

The series, which debuted on campus in the spring of 1990, has been a collaborative effort of UNH professors Judith Neal, Gordon Simerson and Joel Marks, begun after a survey they conducted among academicians and business people on ethical perceptions and education.

## Fire Science Student Relishes Washington Internship Experience

**W**hen Ronald Jensen, Jr. transferred to UNH as a sophomore from a community college in Dutchess County, New York, little did he think his studies would take him from Connecticut to Washington, D.C. But that's exactly what happened when Jensen, a fire science major, landed a two-month internship this past summer with the Congressional Fire Services Institute, an educational body headquartered at the nation's capital. Jensen, who reported to the then executive director of the Institute, Marko Bourne (a UNH fire science graduate), was assigned to the external affairs department. He did everything from answering questions about the Institute's work and providing information about new fire regulations to researching vendors

from whom callers could purchase equipment.

During his off-hours, Jensen still found himself immersed in fire fighting. During the course of his internship, he lived in a firehouse on the University of Maryland's campus, along with several of that institution's fire engineering students, and responded to several calls.

A New York native, Jensen says he has a long-standing interest in fire science and serves as a volunteer fireman back home. He transferred to UNH because it offered an accredited fire science program. When he graduates this June, he hopes to build on his educational and internship experiences and pursue a career with the federal government in fire science investigation.

## Career Development Ups Recruiting Efforts

**I**n today's economy, a new college graduate may need six months to a year to land a job, and even then, that job may not be the job of his dreams. Such is the reality of the present market, says UNH Career Development Director Pam Sommers, who, together with her staff, is intensifying the department's efforts to build networking resources to benefit graduating students and, in many instances, alumni.

Of the latter group, Sommers says "We're seeing a 50-percent increase in the use of our services by alumni who are out of work because of these recessionary times. We've been seeing graduates from all five of UNH's undergraduate schools who have 12 to 15 years' experience."

Sommers is quick to note that the university's reputation and that of its students is still strong in business circles. However, several recruiters who have regularly hired UNH graduates in years past have canceled their campus visits this year due to corporate downsizing.

Sommers hopes to get the word out about our graduates by increasing outreach efforts to industry and by encouraging everyone—staff, alumni, friends and families—to contact the Office of Career Development should they learn of a job opening. She notes that the university has much to offer prospective employers, from a large pool of entry level and experienced people, many with specialized degrees in their fields, to savings in costly search fees, particularly now when "everyone is watching the bottom line."

If you know of an opening, Sommers asks that you call her at the UNH Office of Career Development, open weekdays from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., (203) 932-7252.



## Bartels Fellow Addresses American Educational System

A need for systemic change at the grass-roots level of the American educational system—that was the message Robert D. Kennedy, chairman and chief executive officer of the Union Carbide Corporation and the university's fall 1991 Bartels fellow, drove home to listeners during an on-campus address delivered the evening of October 24.

During the course of his hour-long address entitled "Quality Education/Quality in Industry: Can't Have One Without the Other," Kennedy cited discouraging statistics concerning literacy levels of U.S. high school graduates and American workers and qualifications of high school mathematics and science teachers. In underscoring the need for U.S. students to take their place in an increasingly global work place, he underscored the more rigorous educational standards of the Japanese school system, which requires a longer school day and week, a minimum of two hours of homework daily, and 25 percent of class time devoted to mathematics and science. He noted, too, that European Community schools require



David Motta (left), president, Day Student Government, greets 1991 Bartels Fellow Robert D. Kennedy (right), chairman and CEO, Union Carbide Corporation, on his October visit to campus.

students to be fluent in at least two foreign languages—a competitive advantage American students lack.

Recognizing that a problem exists is the first step toward enacting solutions, said Kennedy, who went on to outline a nine point action plan that he and other business constituents equally committed to

bettering American education have compiled. Included among what Kennedy refers to as the nine "elements of change" are a call for accountability of individual schools and teachers, decentralization of decision making, measurement of school curricula and results against international standards, and availability of quality pre-school programs for all children. "We do know how to teach people successfully," said Kennedy, who concluded his talk with an informal question-and-answer period.

Affiliated with Union Carbide since 1955, Kennedy was named chairman and CEO in 1986. Previous posts within the organization included president of the Linde Division (industrial gases), member of the board of directors, and president and chief operating officer of the chemicals and plastics division. His professional and civic affiliations include the Business Council and the Business Round Table, as well as serving as chairman of INROADS, Inc., which works to introduce outstanding minority students to the business arena and promotes mathematics and science in public schools.

The address was the culmination of Kennedy's day-long visit to campus, during which he met with undergraduate students and faculty from the School of Business and attended an informal luncheon hosted by M.L. McLaughlin, dean of the school.

## M.B.A. Alumni Asked to Assist with Recruitment Efforts

Efforts to step-up the university's student recruitment efforts have never been as crucial as they are today. To that end, President Lawrence J. DeNardis and the Undergraduate Admissions Office have initiated a new program enlisting the aid of the university's more than 4,000 M.B.A. alumni to help put the university's best foot forward.

In a letter from President DeNardis, M.B.A. graduates are being asked to share information about the university with friends, family and colleagues who may be interested in pursuing a degree, or perhaps, more likely, have college-bound children who may wish to consider attending UNH. As an added incentive, any applicant to the university who includes with his application a special coupon received from a M.B.A. alumnus/a will have the university's \$25 application fee waived.

"This program is the beginning of our new 'replace yourself' approach, which necessitates total alumni involvement in recruitment," says Steven Briggs, dean of undergraduate admissions and financial aid. By working with alumni, Briggs believes that the admissions function can be strengthened both nationwide and overseas.

Information packets about the new recruitment plan have recently been mailed to all M.B.A. graduates. Each packet includes an undergraduate application and sponsor coupon. Those who have more than one prospective student they wish to sponsor can request additional applications and coupons from the Admissions Office by calling (203) 932-7319 or writing to Steven Briggs, Dean of Undergraduate Admissions and Financial Aid, University of New Haven, 300 Orange Ave., West Haven, CT 06516.

# A ROUND CAMPUS

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## Provost's Office

**Loretta K. Smith**, director of the Center for Learning Resources, presented a workshop "Running an Effective Learning Assistance Center," at the annual meeting of the Learning Assistance Association of New England on October 25. In a related talk, this time at the Coast Guard Academy in New London, Smith spoke to 18 attendees from the U.S. Military, Air Force, Army and Coast Guard academies and from military prep schools about establishing tutoring centers in their schools.

## School of Arts & Sciences

**Thomas Mentzer**, professor and chairman of psychology, was appointed associate dean of the School of Arts & Sciences. He will assist with a variety of administrative duties and work with Dean Joseph Chépaitis toward advancing the goals of the school and the university. Mentzer had served as acting dean of Arts & Sciences during the spring of 1978.

**Daniel O'Keefe**, professor of electrical engineering, was appointed director of the David Humphreys Honors Program. A professor of electrical engineering and chairman of the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, O'Keefe has been a member of the UNH faculty for 21 years.

**Robert Glen**, professor of history, recently completed writing his 50th book review. Prepared at the request of the editors of the *American Historical Review*, the book focused on the export of British technology in the nineteenth century. Glen, who

wrote his first review in 1977, has had his work published in 14 scholarly journals in the United States, Canada and Great Britain.

**Richard Morrison**, professor of physics, was elected vice chairman and chairman-elect of the New England section of the American Physical Society at the Society's annual fall meeting held at Bates College on October 5. Morrison will serve a one-year term for each post beginning with the vice-chairmanship. Subsequently, he will remain on the executive committee for two additional years, serving as the delegate from the New England section to the Society's national governing council during the fourth year.

**Michael Morris**, professor of psychology, was invited to present two addresses on organizational dynamics at the annual meeting of the Society of Research Administration in Vancouver, British Columbia, held in October.

**Ramesh Sharma**, assistant professor of mathematics, had a paper entitled "Second Order Parallel Tensors on Contact Manifolds II" accepted for publication by *Comptes Rendus Mathematiques* of The Academy of Science, Canada.

**Beth Moffitt**, professor of fine arts, received two residency fellowships at artists' colonies in 1991. The first fellowship was at the Virginia Center for the Creative Arts at Sweet Briar, VA, and the second fellowship was at the Ragdale Foundation at Lake Forest, IL. Between January 1 and September 1, Moffitt completed a total of 12 oil paintings in a continuing series of pointillistic landscapes. The paintings were exhibited recently at the UNH Gallery.

**Joel Marks**, associate professor of philosophy, discussed "Philosophical Skepticism Regarding the Self," at the Yale Faith and Science Colloquium held October 29. He also chaired a panel on "Ahimsa (Non violence) in Buddhist and Gandhian Thought" at the annual meeting of the New England Conference of the Association for Asian Studies, held at Dartmouth College on November 2.

**Paul Marx**, professor of English, was one of the prizewinners in the annual writing contests sponsored by the H.G. Roberts Foundation. His essay "Racism and Me" will be published in the 1991 *Roberts Writing Awards Annual*.

**David E.E. Sloane**, professor of English, was an active participant in the national convention of the Modern Language Association held in San Francisco in December. Sloane was named president of the Mark Twain Circle of the National Association of Twain Scholars, delivered a paper on poetry in the 19th century, chaired a session on Mark Twain, and as executive director of the American Humor Studies Association, convened the group's annual business meeting.

**Jeffrey Greene**, assistant professor of English, presented readings of his new book of poems *To the Left of the Worshipper* at Atticus Books in New Haven and Mississippi State University in Starkville, MS.

## School of Business

**Peter Berman**, professor of finance, had a 100-page study entitled "Municipal Finance in Connecticut, 1980-90" accepted for publication by the Connecticut Policy and Economic Council.

**David Morris**, associate professor of marketing, spoke on "The Challenges of Today's Marketplace: A Partnership for Business, Education and Government" at the November 27 general membership meeting of the West Haven Chamber of Commerce.



## School of Engineering

**M. Jerry Kenig**, dean of the School of Engineering, was elected chairman of the Northeast Section of the American Society of Engineering Educators (A.S.E.E.) at the Association's 69th annual convention.

**Badri Saleeby**, professor of mechanical engineering, was elected secretary-treasurer of the Northeast section of A.S.E.E. for 1992.

**Carl Barratt**, associate professor of mechanical engineering, presented two papers during the "poster" session of the First Experimental Chaos Conference held in Arlington, VA, on October 1-3. The papers were "Determination of the Lyapunov Exponents for 2-D Maps and Continuous Systems, without GSR" and "The Pumped Oscillator as a Chaotic Filter." He also presented "Chaos in the Engineering Curriculum" as part of the A.S.E.E. conference held on campus on October 19 and spoke on "Chaos in the Solar System: The Tumbling of Hyperion, Satellite of Saturn" at a meeting of the Astronomical Society of New Haven on October 29.

**Ross Lanius**, professor of civil engineering, presented papers on the changes in the National Design Specification for Wood Engineering at two programs this fall. The first program was held on the UNH campus and sponsored jointly by the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering and the Western Wood Products Association. The second program was presented at the fall Construction Expo held at the Meadowlands Convention Center in New Jersey and sponsored by the American Society of Civil Engineers.

**Ismail Orabi**, associate professor of mechanical engineering, presented a paper entitled "A New Approach to Nonlinear Systems Subjected to Non-Gaussian Excitations" at the 13th Biennial American Society of Mechanical Engineers Conference on Mechanical Vibration and Noise, held in September in Miami. The



**GRADUATE FELLOWS**—Twenty-eight UNH students were awarded Graduate Fellowships for 1991-92. The fellowships, which include a certificate and a tuition stipend for each recipient, recognize students who demonstrate outstanding academic achievement and have completed a minimum of 21 credit hours of graduate study. Recipients pictured above are (l-r): front row, Karen Lamy, Donato A. Giordano, Carmine DeStefano, Athanasia Veneti, James Wulff, Sujing Zhang, Sarita Chakravarthi, Kathy Lucas, Tania Baz, Mike Kalinowski; back row, Acting Provost James Uebelacker, Thomas Hanson, M.D., John Sabol, Richard Purdy, Joelle Elicker, Susan Haddad, Robert Haviland, Robert Massicotte, William Grimm, Harry Rilling, Kevin Cook, Laraine Touw and Graduate School Dean William Gere. Not available at photo time were: Francis Bogdan, Roman Bystrianyk, Tomris Cavdar, Mary Hunt, Brian LeSuer, Daniel Sweeney and John Ward.

paper was published in the *Proceedings* of the conference which included more than 400 reviewed technical papers presented by authors from 26 countries.

**David Wall**, professor and chairman of civil engineering, is president-elect of the Connecticut Society of Civil Engineers/American Society of Civil Engineers, and **Gregory Broderick**, associate professor of civil engineering, is newsletter editor of the Society. Both Wall and Broderick are members of the Board of Directors.

## School of Hotel, Restaurant & Tourism Administration

**Judith Smith-Morgan**, an adjunct instructor and manager of the Orange Hills Country Club, was elected president of the Orange Chamber of Commerce for a two-year term. She teaches volume food production at UNH.

## School of Professional Studies & Continuing Education

**Frederick Mercilliot**, professor of fire science, has been invited to present a program on fire arson and investigation as part of a three-day seminar sponsored by the Space Coast Institute in Melbourne, FL. The seminar, entitled "Investigation of Terrorism, Arson and Fire Deaths," will be held May 7-10 and will feature international scholars who will share their expertise on these topics. Mercilliot is a retired New York City Fire Marshal who responded to more than 10,000 fires as a firefighter and more than 15,000 fires as an investigator.

## Marvin K. Peterson Library

**Paula Pini**, reference librarian, was elected chairman of the Government Documents Roundtable of Connecticut. She will serve a one-year term.



*As the audience applauded their congratulations, President Lawrence J. DeNardis, with his wife Mary Lou at his side, waved to onlookers who had turned out to wish him well as the university's fifth president. More than 1,000 people attended the Inauguration ceremony held in the North Campus Athletic Complex on November 15.*

## History in the Making

### *President DeNardis Inaugurated as Fifth President of UNH*

*Later in the day, President DeNardis was honored at a dinner held in the Student Center, with more than 150 special guests in attendance.*



**I**t was a memorable event for the university. For months the campus bustled with activity in anticipation of the inauguration of President Lawrence J. DeNardis, the university's fifth president. And when the inaugural procession officially began wending its way down the aisles in the North Campus gymnasium the afternoon of November 15, participants, invited guests and onlookers alike—some 1,000 people in all—knew they were witness to a very special time in UNH history.

The 90-minute ceremony, the first formal inauguration of its kind ever held at the university, began with a procession by Orchestra New England, a call to order by the Hon. Flemming L. Norcott, Jr., Judge of the Hartford Appellate Court, and an invocation by Bishop Peter Rosazza.

Dignitaries including U.S. Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro, Albertus Magnus College President Julia McNamara, and Wesleyan University President William Chace participated in the ceremony, offering

salutations congratulating President DeNardis. Visiting dignitaries from some 125 colleges and universities were also on hand, including the presidents of several area institutions who came to wish President DeNardis well.

Representatives of various constituencies within the university—faculty, administrators, students, alumni, and Board of Governors members—also welcomed the new president to his leadership role. Yale University's Sterling Professor of History Jaroslav Pelikan delivered the keynote address focusing on the meaning and responsibilities of being a good neighbor as an academic institution and expressed his belief that, through its quality teaching and research, UNH will surely "grow and prosper."

But for many, the highlight of the ceremony was President DeNardis' address. During his heartfelt talk, he focused largely on proposals to establish new centers of academic excellence within the university, provide new opportunities for faculty research and publication and





Wesleyan University President William Chace, one of several dignitaries who participated in the Inauguration ceremony, welcomes President DeNardis to his new post in academia.

increase cultural and social opportunities for undergraduate resident students. His vision for what he describes as "an urban village" also includes attention to campus beautification and housing for graduate students. Underscoring a "continued commitment to society and the world around us," he called on the university to educate students for an increasingly global and interdependent world, to help revitalize the economy in the light of mounting budget and trade deficits, and to expand educational opportunities to "help prepare all of our people for the challenges of the 21st century."

Immediately following the ceremony, President DeNardis and his wife Mary Lou met with several hundred well-wishers during a campus-wide reception catered by students from the School of Hotel, Restaurant and Tourism Administration and held in the Peterson Library. Still later, President DeNardis was the guest of honor at a cocktail hour and dinner in the Student Center for more than 150 special guests.

## President Addresses UNH's Future

*The following are excerpts from President Lawrence J. DeNardis' inaugural address delivered on November 15, 1991.*

As we work to establish a new blueprint for the university, I will ask my colleagues to consider three important issues which must be incorporated in our plans if we are to remain at the "cutting edge" in terms of continuing commitment to society and the world around us.

**1. We Must Educate Americans for an Increasingly Interdependent World.** In a world still threatened by political, economic, religious, and racial conflict, it is imperative that we diminish the risk of destructive high-tech warfare and promote world peace by emphasizing the study and appreciation of foreign cultures.

The University of New Haven must strengthen all fields of international study and provide more opportunities for exchange of students and teachers with other countries. Our professional schools, particularly those concerned with business and public affairs, must devote far more attention to international issues.

**2. We Must Help Revitalize the Economy.** Mounting budget and trade deficits, shrinking economic growth rates, and the loss of important markets to foreign competitors are all clear signals that our national and regional economy suffers from serious structural weaknesses.

If our area and our nation are to become more competitive, we at UNH must join other institutions and improve management training in business and professional schools by emphasizing productivity, engineering, and design—while placing greater emphasis on the special problems and opportunities of doing business abroad.

We should both strengthen our courses in engineering and provide stronger mid-career programs for training engineers....

Efforts to restore economic competitiveness will transform the workplace and cause shifts in

employment among regions and industries that will create unprecedented demands for retraining large sectors of the labor force.

If we as a people are to make these adjustments, colleges and universities must recognize that they have a host of new constituents whom they must serve more effectively. At the University of New Haven, we have had a long and continuous history of educating part-time and mid-career students. We must now also turn our attention to displaced workers, the unemployed and underemployed, and those who lack the skills necessary to compete in tomorrow's labor markets.

**3. We Must Expand Educational Opportunity.** Expanding educational opportunities can help prepare all of our people for the challenges of the 21st century. This is especially important because the proportion of minorities among our young people is expected to reach one-third by the year 2000, while their participation at each successive level of education is declining.

Moreover, rising tuition, growing student debt burdens, and increased dropout rates are particularly ominous trends at a time when the job requirements of a technological society are demanding much higher levels of preparation.

We must intensify our efforts to urge stronger federal action to encourage disadvantaged students to complete school and pursue a college education.

At the University of New Haven, we will do our part to increase funds for grant assistance to needy students. Moreover, we will seriously examine how we can expand graduate fellowships for minorities and women in engineering, management, and the sciences. And, within our own teaching and administrative family, we will set the highest possible example in making decisions on recruitment of minorities and women.

These are tall orders, but we will work hard, and I am confident we will succeed.

## Hard Work Helps Graduate on the Career Trail at CNN

Working in the control booth at the CNN broadcasting facility in Manhattan, Jennifer Casper has learned what it means to think on her feet, especially when it's just 30 seconds to air time. Though the pace is hectic, Casper, who graduated from UNH last June with a B.A. in communication and an A.S. in journalism, is currently a production assistant with CNN. And she says there is nowhere else she'd rather be. In fact, she'll be the first to admit that when she first started her studies as a freshman at UNH, she never thought her career would fall into place as quickly as it did.

A native of Brockton, Massachusetts, Casper enrolled at UNH in the fall of 1987 after hearing about the school through a friend who was currently attending.

Casper got interested in communication after her first course in human communication. "I really enjoyed the class and decided to try more," says Casper, who went on to take theory courses and every production class she could.

As a junior she served a one semester internship with Channel 28, a local television station, an experience she fondly recalls as "my first introduction to a TV studio." The following year she served a summer internship at Continental Cablevision in Brockton, where she did on-air reporting and together

with another intern wrote and produced a 15-minute documentary on emergency health care. She was also active throughout her senior year with WNHU-FM, the university's radio station. And that's when she got lucky. As a result of helping the station's general manager organize the annual meeting of the Connecticut Broadcaster's Association, which was held on campus last April, she met Lou Dobbs, CNN's vice president of business news, who was the event's principal speaker. That day, Dobbs offered two internship opportunities to UNH students. Both Casper and fellow student Erik Torkelson, who later served an internship as a production assistant at CNN during the summer, were interested.

Working in the heart of mid-town Manhattan, Casper says she logged eight hour days and tried to learn all she could. Assigned to financial shows such as "Your Money" and "Money Line," gradually she began working on financial updates for CNN Headline News and CNN International.

Her hard work did not go unnoticed. Soon after her internship ended, CNN asked her to continue with them as a freelancer, and in mid-October she officially joined the CNN team as a full-time employee.

*(Editor's Note: Casper was featured in an article in the January issue of Exclusively Connecticut.)*

## Student Ombudsman Appointed

President Lawrence J. DeNardis recently announced the appointment of Nancy Ronne to the newly created position of student ombudsman, effective November 18.

DeNardis described Ronne's job as a liaison between students and staff, noting that this appointment is an important new step in the implementation of his Students First policy on campus.

In her new position, Ronne believes that much of her role lies in improving communication between the students who seek her assistance and various university constituents. She says often what seems to be a problem can really be a misunderstanding in communication on the part of one or several parties. The result: a situation that may leave a student unnecessarily frustrated.

Ronne underscores the need for students to know that she is there as someone they can turn to should problems arise with issues they haven't been able to resolve through normal channels. "Students have to have the opportunity to have someone hear them out all the way through...I think that makes a difference."

Ronne brings a wealth of experience to her new role, which she will handle in addition to her responsibilities as a retention counselor. Prior to joining UNH in 1988, she held several human resource management positions including director of personnel at Connecticut Savings Bank and an associate with Career Life Alternatives. She also is an adjunct instructor at another Connecticut College, where her areas of expertise are human resource management and organizational behavior. She holds a B.A. in psychology from Wheaton College and an M.A. in industrial/organizational psychology from UNH.

## Participants Sought for Cycling Benefit

A cycling event to benefit The Ronald McDonald House, a non-profit New Haven-based facility that provides a home away from home for families of seriously ill children being treated in area hospitals and the only such facility in Connecticut, is slated to be held April 11. The marathon is the brain-child of David Fetto, a sophomore accounting major and founder of the Charger Cyclepaths, a bicycle club.

Participants have their choice of routes--a 25- or 15-mile loop--both to be centered around the Greater New Haven area. Participants must submit a \$10 registration fee

and obtain a minimum of \$50 in pledges. The event is expected to last three hours; a picnic is planned immediately following. All riders are welcome; cycling helmets will be required. Event co-chairmen are Fetto and Lisa Mastro, acting executive director of The Ronald McDonald House of Southern New England.

For more information, contact David Fetto, University of New Haven, 300 Orange Ave., Box A3, West Haven, CT 06516, (203) 932-7300, or Lisa Mastro, The Ronald McDonald House of Southern New England, 501 George St., New Haven, CT, 06511, (203) 777-LOVE.



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## Annual Fund Phonathon Wrap Up

On November 21, 1991, the alumni portion of the Annual Fund phonathon concluded with more than \$101,000 pledged by UNH alumni. Some 7,600 university graduates were contacted by student workers during the phonathon which began in mid-September.

During December, callers focused on the phonathon's parent phase, contacting parents of graduates and current students to encourage their participation and support. This year, alumni and parents' contributions will be directed specifically toward a campus improvement project called "Fields and Trees," aimed at developing what President Lawrence J. DeNardis refers to as an "urban village" on the UNH campus.

"The economy and the new state income tax definitely make fund raising a challenge," noted Karen Green, assistant director of alumni relations. "But although we found that people were giving less than they have in the past, we were

encouraged by the increased number of first-time donors."

Plans for additional phonathons are underway including some at off-campus locations. The Alumni Relations Office is also working closely with volunteers to research "missing" alumni.

Meanwhile, students and volunteers who participated in the on-campus phonathons enjoyed the new facilities set up specifically for them. Two rooms on the second floor of Maxcy Hall were renovated this year to include a training/work room, a calling room equipped with phone lines and spacious work stations with bright blue counter-tops and dividers for privacy.

"We thank all those who have assisted us in our fundraising efforts to date, and more volunteers are always welcome," said Green. If you are interested, please call her in the Alumni Relations Office weekdays at (203) 932-7130.

### Financial Planning Seminar Focuses on Funding Long Term Care

The Spring Financial Planning Seminar will feature the Connecticut Partnership for Long Term Care program recently signed into law by Governor Lowell Weicker at the close of 1991. Established to avoid what now happens in many families: elderly parents depleting or hiding their savings so they can qualify for medicaid payments for nursing home care, the partnership is the first of its kind in the nation.

Peter G. Curtis of National Financial of New England, certified and trained in the subject, will be the principal presenter for the evening's program.

Sponsored as a service for the alumni and friends of UNH by the Alumni Relations Office, the seminar will be held on April 28 from 7-9 p.m. in the Student Center Lounge and is offered without charge. Pre-registration is requested. Refreshments will be served.

## UNH Networking--Alive and Well

The fall was a very active season for alumni gatherings on the East Coast. In October, the Alumni Office sponsored a Boca Raton reunion/reception to introduce President and Mrs. Lawrence J. DeNardis to graduates living in the greater Palm Beach (Florida) area. Over 30 UNHers attended the elegant event at the Boca Raton Marriott Crocker Center and heard President DeNardis outline his plans for UNH in the nineties.

Later the same month, a second reception was hosted by Shelly J. Frank '66, founder, retired chairman and CEO of Chi-Chi's restaurant chain, in his Weston, CT, home. Designed as an outreach to regional alumni for networking as well as reacquainting classmates, the early evening cocktail party provided the appropriate setting for welcoming President and Mrs. DeNardis.

Future gatherings are planned in Southeastern Connecticut, New York City and North Haven.

## Hotel School Hosts Donor Dinners

The Office of Development and Alumni Relations hosted two "Thanks for Giving" dinners for annual fund donors, volunteers and special guests this November. The dinners, prepared by students of the School of Hotel, Restaurant and Tourism Administration and held in the Epicurean Dining Room, recognized both financial and service contributions made to the university by alumni and friends.

President Lawrence J. DeNardis was the dinner speaker at both events, which were hosted by members of the alumni council. For many of the alumni, this was their first chance to talk with the president and hear his plans for the future of the university.

More dinners are scheduled for the spring semester.

## Class Notes

### 1964

**Albert Gesler**, councilman, will run for re-election to his three year council seat in Florham Park, NJ. He is the corporate director of human resources for Allied-Signal, Inc., where he has been employed for 27 years. He resides in the borough with his wife. They have three grown children.

### 1967

**John V. Koris, Jr.** has been appointed Republican town chairman of Rochester, NY. He previously served on the Brighton Board of Education. President of J.V. Koris & Son, he resides in Rochester.

**Robert J. Winters** has been promoted to director, U.S. taxation, responsible for managing the tax function for Rolls-Royce and Northern Engineering Industries' U.S. businesses. He joined Rolls-Royce, Inc. in 1988, and now lives in Herndon, VA.

### 1968

**Dennis C. Polio** has been elected president of the Shuster-Mettler Corporation in New Haven, CT. He lives in Woodbridge with his wife and son.

### 1969

**Ralph N. Durante** has been named chairman of the Economic Development Commission to First Selectman Anthony Rescigno in North Haven, CT. He is currently vice president of marketing for C.W. Costello and Associates of Glastonbury.

**Raymond J. Margiano**, president and founder of Heel Quik!, has signed a master license agreement for Japan with Duskin Co., Ltd. Heel Quik! is the largest shoe repair franchise operation in the world.

**Raymond J. Sibiga** has been elected vice president of information services at Arkwright Mutual Insurance Co., a supplier of risk management services. He is based in Waltham, MA.

**Dick Torborg** has been appointed chief financial officer for Charles River Data Systems

of Framingham, MA. He was previously vice president of business development at Parmenter Systems.

### 1970

**Marie Accrino** has been promoted to art director of the newly formed SNET Advantage Graphics Dept., a division of Southern New England Telephone. She has been with SNET since 1970. She resides in Hamden, CT.

### 1972

**Albert A. Coppola** has been promoted to the position of executive vice president and chief operating officer of Enthone-Omni. He has been with the company for 26 years.

**Michael Linsalato** has been promoted to controller of the Mintz and Hoke Advertising and Public Relations Firm (Avon, CT, and Boston, MA). He joined the agency in 1986 as assistant controller/tax manager. He resides in Waterbury, CT.

### 1973

**William McDonald**, Reverend, has been ordained to the permanent diaconate of the Roman Catholic Church. He lives with his wife and two children in Yuma.

**Louis J. Scarfo** has been promoted to principal chemist for the State of Connecticut, Department of Environmental Protection. He resides in New Britain, CT.

### 1974

**John J. Moranski** was ordained to the permanent diaconate for service in the Diocese of Bridgeport, CT. He has been a member of St. Ann's Parish for the past 40 years. He has been a practicing attorney for 11 years. He lives with his wife and two children in Bridgeport.

**James Murray** has been appointed food service director for ARA Services, Knights of Columbus, World Headquarters, New Haven, CT. He resides in Milford.

### 1975

**Kenneth Ashton** was appointed superintendent of

public works for Wrentham, MA. He is a licensed water operator with 13 years' technical, supervisory and administrative experience.

**Mary M. Hart** has been appointed director of investor and public relations for the Connecticut Natural Gas Corporation in Hartford, CT. She has been with the company since 1985. She resides in Colchester with her husband.

### 1976

**David N. Blake**, Navy lieutenant commander, recently reported for duty aboard the destroyer *USS Carron*, homeported in Norfolk, VA. He recently returned from deployment to the Middle East in support of Operation Desert Storm.

**Joseph A. Perry**, major, Connecticut State Police Force, was recently promoted to lieutenant colonel, making him the highest ranking black officer in the state of Connecticut and one of two lieutenant colonels on the force. He has been on the force for the past 27 years. He is a resident of Montville, CT.

### 1977

**T. Brian Condon** was the recipient of the Board of Trustees Merit Award at South Central Community College. The purpose of this award is to honor individuals who have made extraordinary contributions to a community or technical college. He has been employed at Yale-New Haven Hospital since 1975. He resides in Cheshire, CT.

**Robert S. Dargan, III** has been named vice president of administration at Connecticut American Life Insurance Co. He resides in Branford, CT.

**Dr. Bhima R. Vijayendran** has been named associate director of research in PPG Industries' Chemicals Group. He will be responsible for the creation, development and management of discovery research programs. He resides in Monroeville, PA.

### 1978

**Harry Holt** was named to the Bradley International Airport

Commission. He has been president and owner of Columbia Air Services, Inc. of Groton, CT, since 1980. He resides in Stamford.

**Joseph E. Janell** has been promoted to senior vice president of human resources at Bridgeport Hospital. He joined the staff in 1971.

### 1979

**Susan B. Wolf** has been appointed director of management information services at Naples Community Hospital, Naples, FL.

### 1980

**William C. Gavitt**, lieutenant and head of the detective division for the New London Police Department, was promoted to the rank of captain. He is a graduate of the FBI National Academy in Quantico, VA.

**Raymond Lesandrine, Jr.** has been named vice president of consumer credit at People's Bank. He joined the bank in 1985. Previously, he was a credit supervisor at Connecticut National Bank.

**Ernest Mosley** has been appointed deputy commissioner of housing. He previously served as executive director of Waterbury Housing Authority and financial analyst for HUD. He resides in Wolcott, CT.

**Helen Pantuso** has been promoted to vice president at Avrett, Free and Ginsberg, a New York City advertising firm. She previously worked for the Chesebrough-Ponds Co.

### 1982

**Rick Belden** was recently named finance director at Rushford Center, a non-profit organization providing substance abuse prevention and treatment located in Middletown, CT. Previously, he was the director of accounting at Data Switch Corp. He resides in Shelton with his wife and three children.

### 1984

**Eileen P. Buck** has been promoted to counselor supervisor for the Connecticut Department of Correction. She is assigned to the New



Haven Regional Community Services Division in New Haven, CT. She has been with department for 12 years and resides in Wallingford with her two children.

**Michael Propen** has been appointed to vice president of quality at Tectron-Lycoming Co. in Stratford, CT. He is a resident of Orange.

## 1985

**Sam Bergami** has received the Good Samaritan salute by the Milford Citizen newspaper for his outstanding achievements in volunteer work. He is employed at Alinabal, Inc. in Milford, CT, as group president of operations. He resides in Milford with his wife and three children.

**Kurt Isaacson** has been appointed vice president of operations at the Brattleboro Retreat in Brattleboro, VT. Prior to this he was regional director for Healthcare Services Group, Inc.

## 1986

**Darryl McCormick** has been assigned director of training and development at Stamford Hospital. He will be responsible for the development and implementation of education programs for management and employees.

**Donald E. Porter** has been promoted to vice president and treasurer of the Woodbury Telephone Company. He joined the staff in 1972 as a staff accountant. He lives in Southbury, CT, with his wife and two children.

**Marcella Zimmerman** has been admitted to the New York State Bar and is a practicing attorney in Syracuse, NY. She resides in Baldwinsville with her husband.

## 1987

**Lorraine C. Bevins** has been promoted from controller to vice president of finance for the Connecticut Student Loan Foundation. Previously, she was assistant controller at the University of New Haven.

**Janice Sheehy**, assistant vice president and commercial loan

officer at Derby Savings Bank, will chair a newly organized division, Major Stores and Restaurants, in the 1991 Valley United Way campaign.

**Thomas M. Hanley**, detective sergeant, was appointed chief of police for the Middlebury Police Department in Vermont. Hanley had been affiliated with the Wallingford Police Department for the past 11 years.

## 1988

**Edmund S. Krasinski** has been accepted into the doctoral program in adult education at Montana State University, Bozeman, MT. He is currently employed as a corporate trainer for the Montana Power Company at the corporate office in Butte.

**Peter J. Swiatek** has joined First Federal Savings as vice president of accounting. Previously he was assistant vice president and controller at the Bank of Hartford. He resides in Cromwell, CT.

## 1989

**Arthur J. Landry, Jr.** was named systems officer of New Haven Savings Bank. He joined the bank as a systems specialist in 1988. He is also an adjunct faculty member of Sacred Heart University.

**Heidi Schiff** has joined the Bank of New Haven as assistant vice president, commercial loan officer, of their Church Street branch in New Haven, CT. She was previously with the Union Trust Company.

## 1990

**Barry P. Bonito** has been promoted to corporate director of safety and security, security and loss control for ADVO Systems, Inc. He resides with his wife in Waterbury, CT.

**Maureen Redman** was recently appointed to health care marketer at Harbor View Manor. She was previously employed at the Diagnostic Medical Laboratory. She resides in East Haven, CT.

## 1991

**James DeMaio** has been named assistant vice president of Lafayette American

Bancorp, Inc. He joined American National Bank, the company's subsidiary, in 1984.

**Dale Danowski** was promoted to medical nursing director at St. Vincent's Medical Center in Bridgeport, CT. Previously a unit supervisor, she resides in Huntington.

## Marriages

### 1978

**James V. Capoccitti** to Cheryl A. Stoffan

### 1980

**Michael Esposito, Jr.** to Kelly Ann McDonough

### 1983

**Sherrie Bedard** to Vincent Casasanta

### 1984

**Josephine Marrone** to Allan Cegan

### 1986

**Karen T. Myjak** to Joseph C. Cullina, Jr.

### 1987

**Edward J. Lilienthal, Jr.** to Laurie B. Burrows

**Timothy E. Whalen** to Roberta D. Bernardo

### 1988

**David T. Rogers** to Patti J. Hough

### 1989

**Brian M. Corbeil** to Anna M. Lombardi

**Matthew L. Musante** to Nancy G. Milazzo

### 1991

**Leonard R. Krohelski** to Lisa G. Abate

## New Arrivals

### 1977

**Janet Specht Dorsey** and husband, Wallingford, CT, son—William Nicholas, Sept. 28, 1990

### 1979

**Paul Gagne** and wife, Madelyn Muro, West Haven, CT, daughter—Melanie Lynn, May 25, 1991

## 1988

**Frederick R. Hobbs** and wife, **Stefanie C.**, Hamden, CT, son—Frederick Anthony, March 19, 1991

## 1989

**Leona M.G. Rogers** and husband, Christopher, New Haven, CT, daughter—Kristen LeBeth, June 6, 1991

## Deaths

### 1930

**Dominic L. Morico**

### 1935

**George J. Conkling**  
**Albert C. Uihlein**

### 1943

**Frederick F. Shrier**

### 1949

**Burdine Estep**

### 1952

**Dominic P. D'Agostino**

### 1953

**George S. Sweetman**

### 1955

**John Boyko**

### 1965

**Robert T. Long**

### 1966

**Alexander A. Getman**

### 1972

**Austin T. Ford, Jr.**  
**Joseph Giglietti**

### 1973

**Vincent J. Iovieno**

### 1975

**James A. Perkins**

### 1976

**Robert A. Parenteau**

### 1981

**Anthony Gulisano**

### 1983

**John L. Hunter**

### 1985

**Gordon T. Pascatore**

### 1990

**John C. Ramik**

# S PORTS

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## Ten Football Players Named All-New England Stars

### Receiver Tony Willis Gains All-ECAC Honors

**F**reshman Roger Graham became the third straight Charger to garner the New England Rookie of the Year award as the annual New England All-Star teams were announced. Along with Graham, nine other Chargers received recognition for outstanding play in the 1991 season.

Running back John Raba, receiver Tony Willis, offensive lineman Scott Emmert, defensive back Tory White and punter Scott Smith were named to the first team while Graham, tight end Dave Carlon, defensive lineman Stefan Soulieres, linebacker Brad Pyne and safety Ken Colby were second team selections.

Graham put together the finest rookie season ever at UNH, gaining a school record 942 yards on 161 carries with eight touchdowns. He became the first Charger to rush for over 200 yards in a game, gaining 251 yards against Southern Connecticut and surpassing that mark with 262 yards against Shippensburg. Graham gained over 100 yards in four of his five starts, taking over for 1990 New England Rookie of the Year A.J. Livingston at mid-season. Livingston tore ankle ligaments against West Chester and missed the remaining five contests. Graham was named the ECAC Rookie of the Week three times and received the New England Sports Writers Gold Helmet Award for his performance against Shippensburg.

In addition to his All-New England honors, Willis was the only Charger to earn All-ECAC honors this season. The sophomore finished the

year with 59 catches for 986 yards and a school record 12 touchdowns. His 986 yards was the second highest total in UNH history. He grabbed 10 or more passes in three games—his best game was against Southern Connecticut in which he caught a school record 14 passes for 202 yards.

Raba stayed healthy for most of the year, playing a career-high nine games this season. The team's leading receiver through the first four games, he finished second at season's end with 33 receptions for 361 yards and three touchdowns. Raba placed third among his teammates with 463 rushing yards and five touchdowns. He was also the team's top kickoff return person with 25 returns for 653 yards (26.1 yards per return) with one touchdown. Together, Raba collected 1,477 all-purpose yards.

Emmert makes his second appearance on the All-New England team, earning a second team spot last season. The junior became the anchor of this year's offensive line which averaged 432.2 yards and 32 points per game. Like Emmert, White was a second team selection in 1990 but moved up to the first team this season. White finished the year with 42 total tackles (24 solos) with two sacks, three fumble recoveries and seven pass deflections.

Smith makes his debut on the All-New England teams as a first team punter. The junior punted 46 times for a school record 1,833 yards and a 39.8 yard average. His longest punt came against Shippensburg which sailed 62 yards.



*President Lawrence J. DeNardis congratulates Women's Volleyball Coach Debbie Chin on her 500th career match victory.*

## Volleyball Team Caps Season with NCAA Bid

Debbie Chin became the fifth Division II volleyball coach to win her 500 career match in Division II when her Chargers defeated Franklin Pierce College on November 2. Chin led her team to a 35-5 season in 1991, the ninth time in the last ten years that the Chargers have won 30 or more matches, and to Top 20 rankings in both the NCAA and Tachikara Coaches Poll.

More importantly, UNH's 35-5 record placed the squad into the NCAA playoffs for the fourth straight season and the eighth time in the last nine years.

The Blue and Gold put together two winning streaks during the year, opening the season with a 15-gamer and stringing together 16 straight wins later in the season. New Haven placed third in the Lady Moc Invitational in Lakeland, FL, and also finished second in the Portland State University Challenge Cup. UNH continued its streak of consecutive wins over NECC opponents by winning eight more matches, for 93 straight victories.

Later, Contreras, Ostrander and Vincia St. Jean were named to the American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) All-Region team; Chin won the AVCA Northeast Region Coach of the Year award for the third time in six years.



## Men's Basketball Team Promises A Strong Season

### *Chargers Get Off to 13-1 Start*

The Blue and Gold have gotten off to another quick start this year, winning 13 of their first 14 games with three juniors—Kobie Fowler, Dwayne Crawford, and Mike Grove—and sophomore David Sweeting in the starting lineup. The foursome matured early in the season, quickly becoming the cornerstone of UNH basketball.

Each member of the foursome brings a different talent to the Chargers' cause. Mike Grove has become the team's designated three-point shooter, connecting on four times as many long range bombs than any other teammate. Through the first 14 games, the junior netted 23 baskets from behind the three-point stripe and averaged 20.7 points. Last season, Grove scored 20 or more points four times. This season, Grove has tallied 20 or more points eight times including a career-high 30 points against Queens.

While Grove provides the team with outside shooting, teammates Fowler and Crawford give New Haven a strong inside attack. Crawford has lit up the scoreboard frequently this season, averaging 11.4 points through the first 14 contests. He enjoyed one of the best games of his career against St. Anselm, scoring 15 points and grabbing a career-high 13 caroms.

Meanwhile, Fowler contributes on the boards, averaging 6.3 rebounds per game and has averaged 8.4 rebounds this season. He has the potential to become one of the region's best post players.

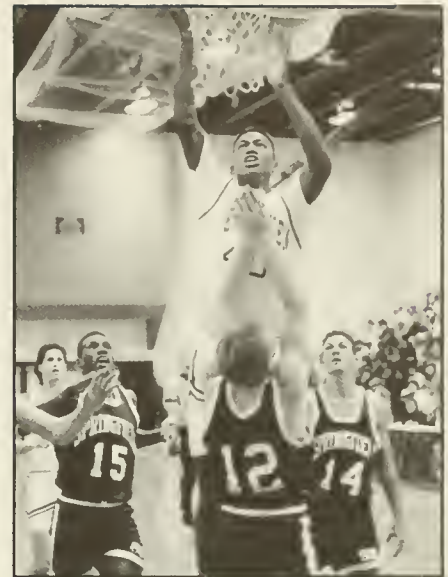
But not one of these three players would be able to score a single point without the play of point guard David Sweeting. The sophomore dished off 80 assists last year, becoming the first freshman to lead UNH in that category since Ken Coleman did in 1984-85. Sweeting already has registered 91 assists through the first 14 games and is on target to dish off 180 assists this season. Besides passing, Sweeting can contribute as a scorer as well.

He has averaged 15 points per game, the second best total on the team, through the first 14 contests.

Senior Kelvin Pittman rounds out the starting five. Coach Grove stated that Pittman's leadership would be the single most important factor in New Haven achieving any kind of success this season. And so far, Pittman is doing more than his part out on the court, posting a 13-1 record to date.

Although he is not among the starting lineup, Jason Williams has become a significant player off the bench. Williams was a starter last season but was moved to the bench to provide UNH with instant offense. He has performed well in the role, averaging 14.6 points as a reserve in addition to grabbing 6.2 rebounds per game.

Meanwhile, the freshmen players have already been added to the lineup and performed extremely



Forward Jason Williams, a junior, shown here making a basket, ranks among the nation's leaders in free throw percentages shooting 88 percent from the line.

well. Glen Francis, Michael Coleman, Craig Peters and Chris Gittens have seen action in every game and combine for almost 10 points per game. Junior college transfer Sean Link has also been a regular in the New Haven lineup and has given Coach Grove another alternative from the bench.



**HOLIDAY SPIRIT**--Members of the UNH Varsity Club made a special visit to patients spending the holidays at St. Raphael's Hospital. The club raised money for presents by selling raffle tickets at home basketball games. The visit marks the newly formed club's first community outreach effort. Future plans include sponsoring clinics for area youth groups in addition to raising funds for other community projects. Club members pictured above (l-r) are: front row, patient and Santa Brad Pyne (football); back row, Melissa Reimer (cheerleading), Ken Suhl (football), Kevin Trimble (track), Tim Burrows (baseball), Noel Ostrander (volleyball), Michael Raccuia (soccer), Lori Miller (softball), Ken Klee (baseball).

## Scholarship Ball to Honor Three Alumni this Year

For the first time in UNH history, three UNH alumni will be honored at this year's Ninth Annual Alumni Scholarship Ball. Elizabeth Gooley Curren AS'68, Richard J. Grossi EMBA'81, and Francis A. Schneiders AS'54 were all selected by the 1992 Distinguished Alumni Committee as award recipients for outstanding contributions in their fields and in civic arenas.

Curren, author of the "Here 'N There" column in the *New Haven Register*, celebrates New Haven's cultural attractions and is always looking for ways to add spice to the news of metropolitan New Haven and environs. An active member of the UNH alumni council, she was its first woman president, serving from 1976-78. She also was the first woman to head the Kidney Foundation of Connecticut and received the Women's Clubs of America Volunteer Service Award for her work in

this area. In 1987, Curren was named one of the YWCA's Women in Leadership in Greater New Haven.

Richard J. Grossi became chairman and CEO at United Illuminating, the New Haven-based investor-owned utility company, in May 1991. A registered engineer in Connecticut, Grossi is active in many professional and civic organizations, serving on no less than 10 boards in the area including The United Illuminating Company, Quinnipiac Council Boy Scouts of America, Connecticut Public Broadcasting Inc., Bridgeport Public Education Fund, and the Long Wharf Theatre. He graduated from UNH's executive MBA program in 1981.

Francis A. Schneiders has been president of Enthone-OMI, Inc., a West Haven-based international manufacturer of specialty chemicals, since 1975. Starting as a research chemist with Enthone in 1950, he

later became general manager of Enthone's Chicago plant and vice president of research and engineering.

Schneiders, a member of the UNH Board of Governors, has held leadership positions in the Metal Finishing Suppliers' Association (MFSA) and the MFSA Energy Conservation Committee, served as president of the Alumni Association from 1988-90 and was chairman of the UNH Fund for Engineering.

The recipients will receive their awards at the Scholarship Ball on April 25, 1992. Held each spring to benefit the UNH Alumni Association Scholarship Fund, the evening's program includes cocktails, dinner, dancing, a silent auction, and the presentation of the Distinguished Alumni Awards. All alumni, friends of the university, and members of the community are invited. For tickets or more information call the UNH Alumni Relations Office at (203) 932-7270.

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